

Frequently Asked Questions

Do we have to read books from the Gary Byker Memorial Library?

No, you can read books from anywhere: your home, the doctor's office, preschool, Grandma's house, etc.

If I read the same story to my child over and over, can I count that book more than once?



Yes, just write down the title each and every time you read the book.

I have more than one child to read to. Can I count the same title for each child?

Of course you can! And if one of your older children reads to their sibling, you can count that also.

Can I count the books that are read at Story Time or in Day Care or Preschool?

Yes, just make sure you get the titles.

Library Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	10 am to 5 pm
Tuesday, Thursday	1 pm to 8 pm
Saturday	10 am to 1 pm

Children's Programs

Wee Wiggles is a story time for children ages 18 months to 3 1/2 years old accompanied by an adult lap. This is a 45 session with stories, fingerplays, crafts, and lots of participation for both parents and children. This class is offered 3 times a year. Please call the library for more information.

Story Time is a 45 minute session for children ages 3 1/2 to 6 years old. We tell stories, sing, and do fingerplays. The children do a craft the last ten minutes with the help of their parents. This class is offered 4 times a year. Please call the library for more information.

We also have various other children's programs during the year and a welcoming children's area where children can play, have computer time and read.

Hope to see you soon!



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1,000 Books Before Kindergarten



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Program Overview

Congratulations!

You are about to start a fantastic journey with your child.

You have committed to enjoying books with your child and in the process, reaping the benefits as your child gains pre-literacy skills that will prepare him for reading.



How the Program Works

1. Enroll your child at the Gary Byker Library and receive your 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten journal, and your starting information.
2. After each set of 250 books is read and recorded, take your journal to the main desk of the library to receive a prize, and the journal pages for your next 250 books.
3. When you and your child have read and recorded your 1,000th book, take your journal to the main desk for your final reward. A staff member will take down your child's name and date and it will be "drawn" on our Rainbow Wall.



You may be asking yourself, "How will I read 1,000 books to my child?"

If you read only one bedtime story every night for three years, you will have read 1,095 books.

If you read 10 books each week for two years, you will have read 1,040 books. Double that rate to do 1,000 books in a year.

This small time commitment is well worth the advantage you will be giving to your child.